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WILSON ENTERS PROHIBITION FIGHT

SHIPPING BODY KNOWS OF NO SEIZURE ORDER

Secretary of Interior Tells Governor He is Misinformed in Report Regarding Taking Over of Maui and Matsonia

Referring to your wire June 17, shipping board states they have not been advised of any commandeering of the Matson liners Matsonia and Maui, and believe you must have been misinformed as to the intentions of the government.

FRANKLIN K. LANE.

The foregoing cable message received at noon today by Governor Liliuokalani in reply to his wire to Washington last week making inquiry as to the replacement of the Maui and Matsonia in the event of their seizure by the government for war purposes, puts an end for the time being to all worry over Hawaii's transportation service.

Shipping circles received the news of Secretary Lane's announcement with relief. It was the general consensus of opinion that for several months at least the Maui and Matsonia will continue to ply between San Francisco and Honolulu and for that length of time there will be no need of the island's sugar cargo or need to worry about food imports.

Shipping men, though puzzled to account for the original reports that the Maui and Matsonia had been commandeered, agreed that if the government has any present intentions of taking over the lines of the Matsonia, Secretary Lane is aware of it. That Secretary Lane and the shipping board, through him, has announced that neither is aware of any plan at present to take over these boats, is assurance enough to local shipping and business men that they may count on both boats making their regular runs for another year at least.

Despite the reports given general circulation last week that the two big boats were to be commandeered the Castle & Cooke, local Matson agents, continued to accept freight and passenger bookings for the Maui and Matsonia, lacking definite word as to when the boats were to be taken over.

"I am not at all surprised," remarked E. D. Tenney this afternoon when informed of the cablegram received by Governor Liliuokalani from Secretary Lane. "I have no comment to make," he added.

SEEK PRISONER'S WAD OF \$1400 TO GIVE FAMILY

To seek for a hidden treasure of \$1400 Detective Fred Belmont, Porto Rican interpreter in Capt. McDuffie's department, left this afternoon for Kahuku, armed with a search warrant.

Belmont's trip to the country is the latest development in the case of Domingo Ortiz, arrested Wednesday on a charge of threatening to kill his wife. Yesterday Ortiz was booked on another charge of embezzlement of \$600 from his stepson, Baptista Ortiz. He is being held at the police station on both charges until Belmont completes his investigation.

Another charge against Ortiz is that he tried to bribe Belmont with \$50 to settle the difference with his family for \$100.

The Star-Bulletin has had the story of Ortiz trying to take French leave with about \$1500 which he and his family had saved while working on the Kahuku plantation. Ortiz is said to have threatened to cut his wife's throat when he heard she had bared his scheme to the police. He declared he has no money, but Attorney Sheldon, prosecuting the case, believes it is hidden at his home.

J. K. Pukiahi was burned yesterday afternoon when he stumbled with a pail of hot asphalt, spilling it upon himself. He was treated at the emergency hospital. The accident occurred near Fort Shafter.

COMPENSATION ACT TO BE FOUGHT TO SUPREME COURT, IS STATEMENT

Insurance Men Regard Judge Ashford's Decision Holding Act Unconstitutional as Merely First Step in Testing Out—Confidence Expressed Validity of Statute Will Be Upheld—Meanwhile Law Still Operative

That the workmen's compensation law, declared unconstitutional by Circuit Judge Ashford in a decision handed down yesterday, will be fought through to the supreme court, and that attorneys for the side temporarily losing are confident the law will yet be upheld, were developments today.

An interlocutory appeal to the supreme court from the decision handed down yesterday by Circuit Judge Ashford, holding that the territorial workmen's compensation act is unconstitutional, is to be asked for by the defendant companies, it was announced today.

This decision was reached following a conference this morning of representatives of the law firms of Holmes & Olson and Frenar, Prosser, Anderson & Marx, representing the Hawaiian Dredging Co. and the Marconi Wireless Co., respectively. It was decided, one of the attorneys said, to take the points raised in the decision to the supreme court, probably on only one of the two cases for alleged damages on which the decision is based. The fact that Judge Ashford has held that the compensation law is unconstitutional does not mean that it is now inoperative. It can become inoperative only if the supreme court sustains the circuit judge. The defendant companies have 10 days from yesterday in which to answer or otherwise except to the decision and, owing to the vital importance of the decision, it was the opinion in court circles yesterday, as well as today, that an interlocutory appeal would be immediately asked for. The opinion also has been expressed (Continued on page two)

TERRIFIC BATTLE FOR LENS ADDED TO WESTERN CARNAGE

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 29.—Smashing forward steadily upon Lens, the important strategic point held desperately by the Germans, the British forces last night made a brilliant attack in a blinding rain on a suburb of the city. They took 200 prisoners and a number of machine guns. Fighting in the suburb of Lens, around ruined buildings, cellars and paraphernalia, followed a period of intense bombardment.

PARIS, France, June 29.—German picked troops today made a heavy attack against the French on the Verdun sector after hours of the most severe shelling. The attack was discredited by French artillery, the Germans getting only a footing on a few points of the first line.

BERLIN, Germany, June 29.—The Germans today captured French positions on the Alancourt road, west of the Meuse, Verdun sector, taking trenches along a 3000-yard stretch to a depth of 500 yards. The Germans also stormed 300 yards of a position at Avocourt, taking 550 prisoners.

LONDON, Eng., June 29.—The British today report the capture of 2000 yards of enemy position on the Arras sector, west of Oppy.

GOVERNOR ORDERS 10,000 CIRCULARS FOR REGISTRATION

Ten thousand circulars explaining in detail how to answer registration questions are to be sent out in the next few days from the governor's office for distribution to practically every postoffice and store building in the islands.

These circulars are fashioned after the ones used throughout the mainland for giving publicity to registration.

On Monday the office of the registration board will be moved from Room 14 in the capitol to the rooms just off the senate chamber. This change is necessary so that workmen may enlarge the quarters of the land office, work which is to begin early next month.

F. J. Green, executive officer, is devoting most of his time to the work now and is getting some valuable results. It was announced this morning that the Schuman Carriage Company has donated a car and driver for the use of the board up to the time registration is complete. Other public spirited business houses have made donations that are much appreciated by those in charge of registration.

A meeting of the board will be held at the capitol at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Requests are still being made for volunteers. Telephone 2200.

PERSHING'S ALSATIAN ANCESTRY BRINGS VISIT FROM FRENCH PATRIOTS

PARIS, France, June 29.—Gen. J. J. Pershing, commanding the American contingent in France, today received a delegation of representatives of Alsace-Lorraine, who told him of their pride in his own Alsatian ancestry. Gen. Pershing was deeply moved. He declared himself happy to meet the representatives of "the valiant people who have suffered deeply because of fidelity to the country."

Woods Named Secretary to Mayor Fern



Palmer P. Woods.

Official confirmation of the appointment of Palmer P. Woods as private secretary to Mayor J. J. Fern, as reported exclusively by the Star-Bulletin, was made this morning by Mayor-elect Fern.

The appointment was made last night following a conference between Fern and Woods and this morning, because of the illness of the former, Woods notified Democratic headquarters and as a mark of courtesy, Mayor Lane the present incumbent.

Woods is one of the oldest members of the Democratic party in Hawaii. He joined the party when it was formed here and has stood by it through thick and thin ever since. He has twice been elected to the legislature from Hawaii.

Libel Charge Meets Denial By Matheson

Advertiser Editor Declares Editorial on Governor "Merely Criticism and Comment Upon Public Official"; Demurrer to Complaint is Filed

Contending, among other things, that the editorial headed "Under What Flag?" and directed against Governor Pinkham was "merely criticism of and comment upon a public official in his public and official duties," Roderick O. Matheson, editor of the Advertiser, filed in Circuit Judge Heen's court today a demurrer to the sworn information of the city attorney's office charging him with criminal libel.

Editor Matheson was to plead to the charge this morning, but this has been delayed by the filing of the demurrer. Deputy City Attorney A. M. Cristy said he was ready to argue the demurrer at any time but, owing to a jury trial today and juvenile court tomorrow, argument was set for 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Following is Editor Matheson's demurrer: "Now comes the defendant, by his attorneys, Andrews & Pittman, and demurs to the information or complaint filed against him in this honorable court in the above-entitled cause, on the following grounds:

"That the complaint or information filed herein does not show the commission of any crime under the statutes of the Territory of Hawaii by the defendant.

"That the article alleged to be libelous in said complaint is not libelous per se, and there is no allegation showing the words in said article were used in other than their ordinary and plain meaning.

"That the complaint affirmatively shows that the article alleged to be libelous and printed and published by the defendant was merely a criticism

GREECE CUTS LOOSE FROM TEUTONICS

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

ATHENS, Greece, June 29.—Greece today broke diplomatic relations with Germany, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey.

PARIS, France, June 29.—Despatches from Athens say that the Greek ministers in Berlin, Vienna and Sofia have been instructed to leave their posts for Greece.

The rupture of relations is based, in the Greek notification, upon the incompatibility of maintaining relations with countries which are warring in Greece territory.

GUARDSMEN IN U. S. SERVICE WILL GO SOUTH

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 29.—Announcement was made at the war department today that the national guardsmen taken into the federal service will be sent to divisional camps in the South immediately after their service for the national government begins. It has been previously expected that many would remain in the states, because of lack of tents at the divisional points.

PREMIER GEORGE EXPECTS RUSSIA TO REGAIN POWER

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

GLASGOW, Scotland, June 29.—Premier Lloyd George declared today that if the war is concluded a single hour before the allies attain their ends, it would be the greatest disaster ever befalling mankind. He prophesied that Russia will regain her strength and will be more formidable as an enemy of the Teutonic militarists than ever before.

GERMANY'S GOLD RESERVE REDUCED

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, June 29.—For the first time since the war began the weekly report of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows a decrease in the gold reserve. The figure is 76,000,000 marks below that of the preceding week.

LONDON, Eng., June 29.—An Amsterdam despatch says that the gold from the German Imperial Bank has been received in Holland, obviously to pay for foods and to keep up exchange.

GERMAN PRESS IN IRON GRIP

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, June 29.—News reaching here from Germany is that the German press is writhing under a regime which is well-nigh intolerable. The government is cutting the supply of paper drastically and the censorship is stifling. The Volkszeitung of Hanover, says that the news contained in all the papers is the same word for word. No independence is permitted. The news is given out by the government press bureau.

SIX FRENCH VESSELS SUNK IN PAST WEEK

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

PARIS, France, June 29.—Two French vessels of over 1600 tons were sunk by submarines during the past week. Three of less than that tonnage were sunk.

PRESIDENT WILL BAR MAKING OF WHISKY FROM FOODSTUFFS, NOT AGAINST WINES AND BEER

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 29.—President Wilson today entered the prohibition fight centering around the food control bill.

The president agrees to stop the manufacture of foodstuffs into whisky and gin but he does not believe that the making of wines and beer should be stopped.

He talked over the various bills today with senate leaders. The belief is expressed in official circles here that a bill prohibiting the use of foodstuffs in distilling, and empowering the president to stop wine brewing if he deems this necessary, would satisfy the prohibitionists.

Senator Sheppard of Texas, the leader of the prohibitionists in the senate, has approved this plan.

HAWAII TO GO "DRY" IN 30 DAYS IS CABLED PREDICTION

Secretary Paty of Anti-Saloon League Gets Message From Sources in Touch With Washington Advising That Prohibition Will Soon Pass—League in Annual Meeting Elects New Officers

That the United States and Hawaii will be made "dry" within 30 days was the information received by cable from the mainland last night by Minister D. C. Peters, retiring president of the Anti-Saloon League. Secretary Paty, while refusing to make known the author of the cable, declared he was a man in touch with the situation at Washington and holding a federal position. Just how prohibition was to be effected was not stated.

The cable is interpreted locally as having reference to the passage of the food control bill now before Congress, which prohibits use of grain for manufacture of liquor.

Elated over the advances of prohibition within the last year and the success of the Hawaiian prohibition forces, the Anti-Saloon League of Hawaii met last night in annual convention in the Hawaiian board hall, to hear reports of the past year.

The 68 delegates of the convention gave a unanimous endorsement to the executive board of the league for its efforts to secure prohibition for the islands through national legislation. The work of J. W. Wadman, who is maintained in Washington in the interests of the "dry" movement, was endorsed for the first time since Mr. Wadman has been in Washington.

That Congress pass prohibition for Hawaii was the recommendation made by the convention to their representative in Washington in a cablegram despatched by G. W. Paty, secretary of the league.

Predicts Islands Prohibition "That in all probability in the near future this island will be considered a restricted zone in which intoxicating liquors cannot be imported, manufactured or sold for military reasons," was the prediction made in the annual report of George W. Paty, secretary of the league.

Concerning the prohibition bill in the territorial legislature, Mr. Paty declared that the bill had been killed by the action of the chairman of the judiciary committee, and "what seemed at one time like an opportunity to carry at least a concurrent resolution to the United States Congress asking for federal prohibition for this territory, vanished with the adjournment of the legislature."

It was asserted that the league had made an effort to secure prohibition here because of the military reservations and appreciation of the work of Gen. Frederick Strong was expressed along that line. A resolution expressing appreciation of the work of the daily press was also passed.

Rev. S. L. Desha of Hilo and Rev. G. A. Young, chaplain of the Hilo boarding school, spoke. Minister D. C. Peters, outgoing president of the league, presided. Rev. Akalo Akana conducted the song service.

The acting superintendent and treasurer reported that \$7000 had been spent during the year.

The following officers were elected upon the recommendation of the nominating committee, consisting of W. D. Westervelt, G. P. Carter and Floyd Emmons: Rev. Leon L. Loofbourou, president; J. D. Williams, first vice-president; A. E. Larimer, second vice-president; Mrs. J. M. Whitney, third vice-president; T. Okumura, fourth vice-president; W. A. Bowen, treasurer; J. W. Wadman, superintendent; G. W. Paty, secretary; Theodore Richards, chairman of action committee; R. H. Trent, chairman finance committee; A. F. Cooke, chairman law enforcement committee; H. P. Judd, chairman legislation committee.

Robert B. Booth, treasurer of Fred L. Waldron, Ltd., at home for a few days with an attack of la grippe.

U. S. RED CROSS CHEERS RUSSIA

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

PETROGRAD, Russia, June 29.—News that the United States will send a Red Cross mission to Russia has been widely heralded and is being received with the greatest satisfaction.

BELGIAN MISSION COMES TO COAST

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 29.—The Belgian mission today left for a trip to the Pacific coast.

SUTTON IS NAMED TO LIQUOR BOARD

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

E. W. Sutton, manager of Bishop Trust Company, was named today by the governor as a member of the Oahu license commission, taking the place made vacant through the resignation of L. M. Vetterlin.

Governor Pinkham also renamed a large number of commission members, as follows:

Oahu license board—D. C. Lindsay and C. D. Larkin.

Kauai license board—J. R. Myers.

Oahu license board—J. Oliver Carter.

Harbor commission—Charles J. McCarthy and Norman Watkins.

Prison inspectors, first judicial circuit—E. H. Wodehouse and J. W. Waldron.